

WILMINGTON POLICE

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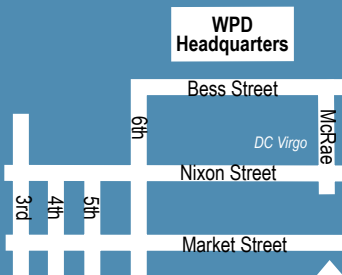
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Crime Prevention: 343.3945
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By the numbers

The community:
100,000 citizens
176,000 calls for service
annually

The department:
320 personnel
263 sworn police officers
\$24 million budget
3 divisions: patrol, support,
and administration



Wilmington Police
615 Bess Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
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Message from Chief Ralph Evangelous...

For more than 200 years, the Wilmington Police Department (WPD) has been committed to protecting the life and property of our citizens. By utilizing creative strategies such as those highlighted here, we strive to prevent criminal activity. To be truly effective, crime prevention must include the support of our citizens — I encourage you to learn more about how you can become involved and help our officers prevent and combat crime in our community.

Get involved...

There are many ways citizens can help prevent crime and be involved with the police department. Here are just a few opportunities:

Start a Community Watch.

Organized neighbors work together with local police to prevent and combat crime problems in neighborhoods.

Ride-a-Long Program.

The Ride-a-Long program allows law abiding citizens the opportunity to ride along with a sworn police officer.

Volunteer.

There are many volunteer opportunities at the WPD.

Neighborhood Meetings.

Officers will speak to neighborhood groups about ways to prevent crime.

Presentations.

Officers are available to speak to civic and social groups about crime prevention efforts and the WPD.

For more information:
Crime Prevention Office
(910) 343-3945

WPD is looking for...

...someone who likes adventure and excitement, an ability to work alone or on a team, flexible, with a good sense of humor, excellent writing skills, talks to just about anyone, and wants to help people.

If this is you, call WPD today.

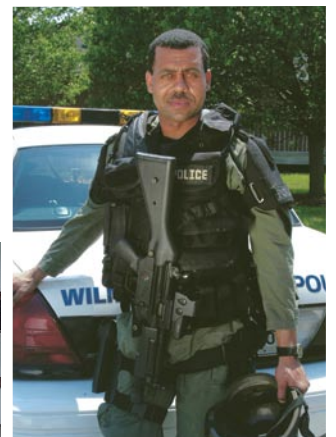
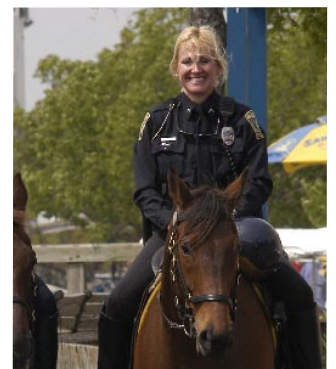
Basic Requirements:

- 20 years of age
- NC Driver's License
- High School Diploma (or GED)

Call: 910.343.3651

Visit: www.wilmingtonnc.gov

Email: Officer Myron Irving at myron.irving@wilmingtonnc.gov



Call WPD Recruitment

910.343.3651

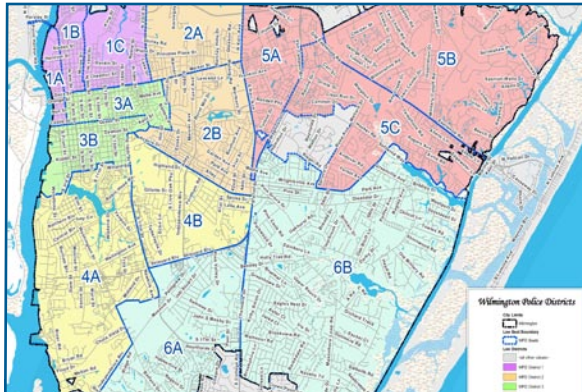
WPD Connecting with Neighborhoods to Reduce Crime

Geo-based Policing

Efforts the WPD has taken over the last two years to better connect with neighborhoods and focus on high crime areas is having results.

Last year, the WPD started the citywide geographic-based policing program. Districts of the City have been organized into six major areas, each with its own lieutenant. The lieutenants are responsible for identifying problems and formulating solutions for their assigned areas.

Patrol officers now spend at least an hour of every shift walking in their districts. Geographic-based policing enables patrol officers to increase their positive contacts in the community and to become more familiar with neighborhoods.



Concerns in your neighborhood. Call us.

District 1	Lt. E. Pigford	342-2714
District 2	Lt. D. Lanier	341-0144
District 3	Lt. Y. Fitzpatrick	341-0158
District 4	Lt. M. Hinson	341-0147
District 5	Lt. K. Cochran	343-3689
District 6	Lt. O. Blanton	341-0158



Neighborhood Enhancement

The WPD has developed a team with staff from the Parks, Solid Waste, Code Enforcement and fire departments to clean up neighborhoods. Problem areas are identified and each area does its part to clean up, from trash and junk car removal to street and sidewalk repairs to home repairs. While clean up activities took place before the team was in place, efforts are now more focused and coordinated.

These types of clean up activities are important because, if not addressed, can lead to criminal activity. "Criminals who see residents taking pride in their homes and talking with their neighbors will be much less likely to commit a crime than in an area that has the appearance of disorder," said Chief Evangelous.

The team has cleaned up areas in several neighborhoods and continue to follow up to make sure the areas are maintained. So far, reaction from citizens has been positive. Chief Evangelous says support and participation from citizens is critical to long-term success in preventing and reducing crime.

Model Block

More than two years ago, the WPD began the model block program, which focuses police resources in high crime areas block by block. Several areas have been targeted and the impact has been significant.

New model block programs are being established in the new geographic-based police districts and police are making follow up visits to areas already targeted to make sure problems do not reoccur. Also, the Neighborhood Enhancement Team will be deployed in the new model block areas.

Working together, these programs help enhance the quality of life while also helping reduce and prevent crime in our neighborhoods.

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— Chief Evangelous

Services...

Police to Citizens (P2C)

The WPD now has a website that provides citizens with easy access to information that formerly was only available by visiting or calling the department.

The website, called P2C for Police to Citizens, provides access to numerous reports and listings, including:

- Accident reports that can be printed out anywhere with internet access;
- Police reports that have been filed anywhere in the city;
- Individuals on the outstanding warrants list; and
- Summaries of all police reports taken in the city for the past day, week, month or 180 days. Check it out at:

<http://p2c.wilmingtonnc.gov/>

Crime Surveys

(Residential and Business)
910 343-3945

Bike Registrations

910 343-3600

Taxi Permits/ Finger-printing

910 343-3628

Special Checks

(Residential and Business)
910 343-3600

Police Service Contracts

(hire off-duty police officers) 910 343-4761

Drug Hotline :

1-866-WPD-NARC

CrimeStoppers

1-800-531-9845
(Rewards up to \$5,000)

